WEATHER unsettled; probably local thunder showers.

Local Temperature Min. 76. Rainfall .45

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## RAILROADERS ANSWERING WALKOUT

# Demands Coal Strike Solution RAILROAD SHOPS QUIET

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### EFFORT IS MADE TO SETTLE COAL STRIKE IN MEET

Harding Calls Miner Chiefs and Operators Together for Conference; Will State Plainly That Action Due.

### PROTECTION OF PUBLIC INTEREST BE STRESSED

Miners Pessimistic; Say Operators Hand Picked Ones Not Willing for National Agreement; Are After Districts.

(By The United Press)

Washington, July 1. - President Tharding today called upon the striking miners and the coal operators of the country to resume mining operators at once and then adjust their differences in joint conferences.

Speaking before about fifty chieftains of the United Mine Workers of America and leading coal operators at the white house, the president issued an emphatic warning to the warring factions that unless the strike is soon terminated the federal government in the public interest will exert all its vast powers to force an ending of the walk-out.

The president, after referring to the menace the country faces because of dwindling coal supplies, informed both operators and miners State bank this morning opened as that the interests of the people must be protected and that the government proposes to take steps toward that end unless the strike is ended through joint conferences,

Demands Permanent Solution. manent solution of the frequent made several weeks ago.

strates in the industry must be found

the right, and above all else, the Ital stock of the Farmers State bank. American public has the right to be The Farmers National also begins freed from these recurring anxieties, with a surplus of \$10,000. no matter what the causes are, said the president,

justment of the dispute.

to winter's approach, with unemployment visiting its hardships upon Wilson retains the cashlership and idle mine workers and with vast Louie M. Gardner will continue to ownership without return on invest- serve as assistant cashier, it was ment, it would seem to be the simplest common sense to find acceptable ground on which to resume activities, with commitment to accept the righteous adjustments which

consent," Harding said. While at the white house the operators and miners were assured by President Harding that during the conferences here they will be im mune from prosecution under the mune from prosecution under the anti-trust laws. Attorney General Daugherty was present and backed NICHLOS TO SET up the words of the president.

Washington, July 1. - President Harding's move to end the nationwide coal strike tegan here today. Fifty leading coal operators and union leaders assembled at the white house to be told by the president that the government expects them to put their feet under a table settle their differences and start the coal mines humming again.

The coal strike, now in its thirteenth week, must be brought to an end to protect public interest, Hardpected to emphasize that the administration is not contemplating the use of force at least at this time.

From reliable sources, it was learned there would be no open threat, but between the lines of the presidents remarks it was believed the operators and miners would be able to read a warning to "get busy" and to stay busy.

Then the operator-miner representatives were to meet with Secretaries Hoover and Davis and get down to business.

The purpose of today's conference is to agree on terms under which of July will be a reunion of all sold-

finally work out a settlement. The miners, long willing to confer with operators, were frankly pessihouse. John L. Lewis, international president of the United Mine Workers, and other miners' officials, operators called to Washington are receiving radio service for concert a "hand picked" lot who will never and local news purposes, to be loagree to meeting the miners on a cated at the Hardy Sanitarium, it national scale, but will stand pat was announced. It will have a sendfor state or district settlements.

### HERE'S AMERICAN STRIKE SITUATION

(By The United Press.)

America today was confronted with one of the greatest strike crises since 1894.

Four hundred thousand railway shop men were called out on strike while 1,000,000 miners were already striking.

As the railroaders were trooping from shops throughout the country, President Harding was addressing representatives of the miners and operators in Washington in an effort to stop the coal strike which has been in progress thirteen weeks.

The exact number of shop men who will obey the strike order is not known. First reports from Albany were that men waked out of the New York Central roundhouse but half an hour after the strike went into effect they were still at work in other shops around Albany. Meanwhile, in Chicago, Ben W. Hooper, chairman of the United States rail labor board-

whose authority has been defied by the unions involved in this walk out-admitted the government had done everything possible to avert the railroad strike, but had failed The public will not feel the strike, in opinion of railroad executives, unless more unions join it. Machinists, blacksmiths, boilermakers, car men, sheet metal workers, and electricians quit their jobs today. Maintenance of way men, clerks, signal men and stationary firemen are taking a strike vote. The conductors, firemen, trainmen, telegraphers, and switch-

The United States rail labor board ruling reducing wages from two to nine cents an hour, effective today, was one of the direct causes of the strike.

## CHICKASHA BANK

men are not contemplating a strike.

Farmers State Bank Opens This Morning as National Institution; Be Known as Farmers National; Officers Named.

Beginning a new ero in the hisory of the institution, the Farmers a national bank, to be known as the Farmers National bank of Chickasha. Permission to open as a national bank this morning was granted in a telegram received yesterday from the comptroller of the currency. Ap-Harding also declared that a per- plication for nationalization was

The bank begins as a national bank with a capital stock of \$100, "Labor has the right; capital has 600-double the amount of the cap-

Courtney Retains Presidency. M. F. Courtney, veteran Chicka-"That freedom must be establish and Oklahoma banker, will continue as president of the bank. Harding made a fervid appeal that Harry A. Stephenson, president of operations be resumed pending ad the Stephenson-Browne Lumber company, which owns and operates lum-"With diminishing fuel supplies, ber yards in Chickasha and several with menacing shortages as we turn other towns in Oklahoma, has been selected vice-president. John W. announced today.

Stephenson, G. W. Austin, J. W. may well be expedited in common Owsley, Oscar M. Claycomb, L. C. Wright and John W. Wilson. All of these are business men of state-

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## PIPE NEXT WEEK

set casing and test out a sand at the company's location on the Kit miles southwest of Chickasha,

The work of moving the casing to ing was to say, although he was ex- next week. Mr Nichlos reports a sand, starting at around 1,200 feet and continuing, broken, for some 60 feet. Cuttings have been tested and show the sand to be productive. He has rat-tailed the sand and has a nice shoulder of lime rock on which to set the casing.

### SOLDIER REUNION PLANNED.

(By The United Press.) Nowata, Okla., July 1.—One of the features of the American Legion picnic and celebration to be staged at the City Park here on the Fourth the disputants can get together and lers who served in the World War from this part of the country whether Legion men or not.

(By The United Press.) Ardmore, Okla., July 1.-Ardmore ing radius of 100 miles.

### WEEPS AS MEN QUIT.

Arkansas City, Kans., July 1 .-At ten o'clock this morning 135 shopmen of the Santa Fe walked out here, making it a hundred percent with the exception of a boy, machinist helper, who wept as the crowd left and told them his father had told him not to come home if he went out on the

Bodies of Four Killed in Auto-Train Crash Taken to Dallas by Relatives; Father Breaks Down As Views Bodies.

### TO CONTINUE INQUEST HERE THIS AFTERNOON

Train Crew to Come to City to Tes-Heal Story of Accident Expected to Be Told by Engineer Good at Hearing.

were killed instantly yesterday morn- ating. ing in the train-automobile crash at Regular troops rushing about the morning and was addressed: "To Members of the hoard of direct he "dip" crossing two miles south of city in lorries are being ambushed all employes in mechanical departtors of Chickasha's newest national Pocasset were positively identified at frequent intervals. Bomb explo- ment." The statement from the bank are: M. F. Courtney, Harry A. early this morning as those of Mr. sions are heard at the rate of 10 or president of the road reads: and Mrs. Vivian M. Porter, Miss Lila 12 an hour. Speer and Tom Speer, all of Dallas. The estimated casualties have mount-Porter, brother of the dead bride to meet July 15. groom and L. C. Mabry, brother-inlaw of P. P. Porter. Both Messrs.
Porter and Mabry live in Dallas, The
men arrived in the city early this morning on the Rock Island passenger train No. 12 and left for Dallas on train No. 31-the Firefly, which also carried the bodies of the four accident victims.

J. B. Nichlos, manager of the Immediately after the men arrived son morgue where they positively in many moons. identified the bodies. The father mangled remains.

the location is expected to start Dallas this evening at 5:30 o'clock, features, from an amusement standshortly after the arrival of the relatives and the four bodies.

Expected Home Last Night. to arrive in Dallas last night. While which was to bring her newly-mar- of July card at the local track. ried daughter, her son-in-law, her 18-year-old daughter and 14-year-old

Chickasha, Mr. Speer, a conductor

employed by the Dallas Street Rail-

way company, was at work at the

time the message was received. Mrs. Speer was notified of the mistic when they went to the white ARDMORE TO DO BROADCASTING Dallas newspaper received the press sult in both wholesale and retail dispatch from Chickasha giving the price reductions in Oklahoma City journeymen. details of the accident. Mr. Speer, and the state, according to local Mr. Porter and Mr. Mabry left on the dealers. stated openly their opinions that the is soon to have a broadcasting and next train for Chickasha. The Speer home in Dallas is located at 914 \$10 to \$30 on automobiles, it was mately \$40,500—an average of about Crestler street, the address given on said. Taking this in consideration \$125 per man. the identification card found near the the McClelland-Gentry Motor comscene of the accident.

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# DUBLIN FIGHTING

Snipers Rush Through Street: Many Casualties,

(By The Datted Press.)

after two o'clock this afternoon as it was learned late this morning. the free state army opened an asin Sackville street.

troops.

hotels, which they have fortified in viewpoint." preparation for another desperate stand such as they made at the this morning that El Reno and War, Four Courts:

The rebels concentrated in their new fortress during the night and were ready to give battle this morning. They hold an entire city block, shops and roundhouse here was

throughout the city. Bands of skirmishers proceeded through the streets, sniping,

different neighborhoods, from which than a general builetin posted this Bodies of the four persons who small hands of men, without uni morning. This bulletin, from J. E. forms but heavily armed, are open Gorgan, president of the Rock Island

The bodies were identified by J. T. ed to forty killed and 180 wounded ing of the situation on this railroad. Speer, of Dallas, father of Mrs. Por- A proclamation has been posted The Rock Island has and will conter, Miss Speer and the boy; P. P. summoning the free state parliment time to comply with every decision

Nichlos Oil and Drilling company, here at 2:35 o'clock this morning, the biggest "First Mouday" or bar- ing conditions and pay in accordannounced this morning that he will they were taken to the S. J. Andergain sales day, Chickasha has seen ance with the requirement of the

Farwell farm, section 26-5-8, some 14 broke down as he viewed the cially attractive bargains for the public, which the government represpecial day and a record crowd is sents. Funeral services will be held in expected to be here. One of the point, is the opening of the two-day horse racing card at the Grady county fair grounds. This event has The honeymoon party was expected been featured in the bulletins and special advertising sent out by the Mrs. Speer was waiting in the Speer Chickasha merchants. The day is home for the coming of the evening to pave the way for the big Fourth

# son, she received a telephone communication from the Dallas Journal announcing the tragic accident near

Oklahoma City, July 1.-The 10

The rate cut means a cut of from \$50 to \$100 on all makes of Essex and Hudson cars.

## 325 LEAVE JOBS AT LOCAL SHOPS Walkout Among Men Affected Here

Practically 100 Percent Effective; Cuts Over \$40,000 Month from Payroll.

### UNION LEADERS STATE ONLY OBEYING ORDERS

No Plans for Operation of Shops by Road Made Here; Gorman Issues Statement to Men; Mass Meeting is Held.

With the blowing of a whistle as the clocks in the yards proclaimed the hour of ten, 325 employes of the Rock Island shops and round house here dropped their tools and went out on strike this morning in accordance with the orders received earlier. in the week from their union chiefs. At 10:30 o'clock, the shops and roundhouse here were apparently deserted. The only employes remaining on the jobs were the fore-New Stronghold of Rebels Stormed men, who are not under the jurisby Free State Troops; Bands of | diction of the unions, the common laborers and the store-house employes who have not yet receive! orders to strike. Not a single craftsman employed in the local shops or Dublin, July 1.—Heavy firing be roundhouse ignored the command of gan in the center of Dublin shortly his union chief and refused to strike,

John Duff, chairman of the local sault on the new rebel stronghold shopmen's federated committee, declined to comment on the strike this The rebels replied vigorously to morning further than saying that the attack of the government "We will be out until we are ordered back by proper authorities. They were shooting from the win- We think we are striking for a just dows of the postoffice, and from cause and we have reasons to bedoors and windows of two large lieve that the public has the since

it was stated at the shops here rika shopmen are out " to a man." No Plans Announced.

No information concerning the company's plans of operating the The rebels spread the battle zone available today. G. H. Pretty, general foreman, refused to make a statement, saving that he has received no communication from of-They have twenty strongholds in ficials regarding the strike other

> "In view of the 'threatened strike' there should be a clear understandof the United States railroad labor board.

"The Rock Island has no contract of any kind or character for the operations of its shops or other like facilities or for the performance of Therefore, a strike at this time will said, Monday, July 3, promises to be railroad labor board fixing the workfederal law. Such strike will be The merchants have posted espe- aimed at the government and the

"Reduction in Rock Island revenue during 1922 at the hands of the government authorities will be more than three times the wage reduction on the Rock Island, directed by the labor board. Let me ask you to seriously before action is taken that themselves."

Meeting Shopmen Called. boards calling a meeting of all crafts Towson. to be held in Labor Hall immediately after 10:00 o'clock this morn-

Crafts affected by the strike this

The 325 workmen who walked out ferent divisions, this morning have been receiving a monthly compensation of approxi-

Some of the employes who quit

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## AS WORKERS LAY ASIDE **TOOLS IN WAGE PROTEST**

FIRST INDICATIONS ARE THAT WALKOUT IS EFFECTIVE BY LARGE MAJORITY; NO TROUBLE REPORTED DURING FIRST HOURS.

### SOME ROADS PLACE GUARDS AROUND PROPERTIES TODAY

AT SOME POINTS STRIKERS PARADE STREETS; ROAD CHIEFS SAY PUBLIC WILL NOT NOTICE EFFECTS SEEN: PREPARATIONS MADE.

(By The United Press.)

Chicago, July 1.-Four hundred thousand railroad shop workers were added to the nation's idle today when they went on strike against wage reductions

Promptly on the stroke of 10, workers dropped their tools. All shops in Chicago-the largest strike center in the country-were closed. One hundred thousand men, it was estimated by union heads, went on strike here.

GUARDS GOING ON DUTY.

Guards appeared as the men left their work and were prepared to protect railroad property.

The great Pullman shops in South Chicago, employing normally 10,000 men, were operating with only a few car repairers on duty. Other shops reported forces were curtailed.

Last hope of the United States railroad labor board for averting the strike faded as the zero hour for the walk-out approached.

Chairman Ben Hooper remained on duty throughout the night at the board office, hoping that some last minute development might prevent the strike.

EXECUTIVES SEARCH SOLUTION.

Chief executives of the great railroads of the country conferred here over methods of meeting the strike.

A few blocks away Bert M. Jewell, head of the shop crafts union, whose defiance of the railroad board's order to appear at yesterday's conference of union heads and railroad executives with the board, prevented any hope of settlement of the dispute without a strike, met with district chairmen of his union. Subpoena servers sent out by the board had been unable to locate Jewell to bring him before the board.

The shop crafts strike involves blacksmiths, sheet metal workers, machinists, electrical workers, carmen and boiler-makers.

The one ray of hope in the situation was the promise of heads of the maintenance of way, stationary firemen and engineers, clerks, express and freight handlers unions not to strike until the compromise points offered at the conference yesterday are considered. Chiefs of the maintenance of way union will confer July 3 to consider a strike call. Labor board members were confident a walk-out would not be ordered by that organization.

system, was received via wire this At Points in Oklahoma Where Rail- lumbus to strike headquarters. roaders Employed; Walknut Reported Nearly 100 Percent Effective: No Disorder.

(By The United Press.)

sand railroad shop men in the state party to the hearing before the labor of Oklahoma answered the strike board and promising "ample notice call and lay down their tools at 10 will be given before reductions in

The men quit quietly with no dis- workers left the shops. orders reported.

Approximately 500 men employed in the Frisco and Katy shops here work ordinarily performed by em- designated by the strike call, it was laid down their tools at the hour

in the Rock Island shops at El be solely against the decision of the Reno six hundred men were to answer the strike call. At Chickasha had walked out in the Wabash At Tulsa 250 shop men on Frisco

and Midland Valley railroads were to strike at 10 a. m., according to schedule. At Sapulpa 400 shop men on Fris-

### to reports here. AVERT MOB VIOLENCE.

co will strike at 10 a. m., according

consider these matters carefully and violence against John H. Owen. negro, charged with attempting asis certain to cause injury to the pub- sault on a white woman at Fort lic, the railroads and the employes Towson, was narrowly averted when officers brought the negro to the Hugo jail last night. The negro was The federated committee this mor- slightly injured by thrown stones ning posted notices on the bulletin while he was being taken out of Fort

### FLOWER-GARDEN SHOW.

Wagoner, Okla., July 1.-A "flower and son-in-law yesterday afternoon at 1:10 o'clock, immediately after the into effect last midaight will regrowing is to be held at City Park today in response to the strike call. and apprentices walked out with the here late today. Various prizes are according to the count of union offered for best products in the dif- leaders here.

### COUNTY SEAT VOTE SOON.

Tishomingo, Okla., July 1.-A special election will be held in Johnpany here announced a reduction of work this morning had ben connect. Some of the employes who quit ston county July 10 to decide whether fifty shopmen quit work promptly at the county seat be moved from here to Milburn, it was announced today.

### Strikers Parade Streets. (By The United Press.)

Columbus, Ohio, July 1.-Three thousand shop workers of the Pennsylvania and Hocking Valley railroad laid down their tools promptly at 10 a. m. today and marched through the business district of Co-

The Pennsylvania shops probably will continue to operate on reduced time schedules, it was indicated.

Management statements urging Oklahoma City, July 1.—Four thou- Pennsylvania lines had not been a workers to bear in mind that the o'clock, according to local union of wages are made," were bulletined on the walls of the shops as the 3,000

### Guards Go On Duty. (By The United Pres.)

Detroit, July 1.-Machinists and boilermakers started walking out in the railroad shops here at 10 o'clock this morning.

round house at Deiray.

At 10 o'clock, 150 guards appeared from the yards of the Michigan Central near Livernois avenue and surrounded the Michigan Central locomotive repair shops there.

Men employed by the Illinois Car ompany which leases the repair department of the Michigan Central, walked out unexpectedly at 10 Hugo, Okla., July 1.—Probable mob | o'clock. They number more than

### 2,500 Out at Pittsburgh.

(By The United Press.) Pittsburgh, Pa., July 1 .- Twentyfive hundred employes of the Glenwood shops of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad walked out in the shop men's strike this morning.

### 85 Per Cent Walk Out.

(By The United Press.) Harrisburg, Pa., July 1.-Eighty-

There are over 3,000 men enrolled in this district.

400 At Fort Worth. (By The United Press.) Fort Worth, July 1.-Four hundred

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